

Minutes
Rules Committee of the Commission for MH/DD/SAS
August 14, 2001

Attending

Commission Members: Pender McElroy (Chair), Dorothy Crawford, Mansfield Elmore, Martha Martinat, Pearl L. Finch, Albert Fisher, Floyd McCullouch, Emily H. Moore, Mokie Stancel, Don Stedman, Paul Gulley, Lou Atkins, Lois Batton, Bruce Whitaker and Fredrica T. Stell

Ex-Officio Members: Ron Morton, Bob Hedrick, Carol Duncan Clayton

Excused: Martha Macon, Judy Lewis

Others: Tara Larson, Charles Franklin, Susan Collins, Cindy Kornegay, Bob Kurtz, Don Willis, Mary Eldridge, Jim Jarrard, Flo Stein, Lisa Haire, Jeff Holden, Rob Thorton, Fred Waddle, Nena Reeves, Holly Cole, Stephanie Gilmore, Robin Dean, Melody Wood, John Owen, William Caruthers, Mark Long, Paula Bohland, Christine Heinberg, Joe Donovan, Fred Waddle, Jean Allen, Cynthia Temoshenko, Martin Kever, Jeff McLoud, Dorothy O'Neal, Beth Melcher, Ellen Russell, Mike Vicario, Frank Edwards, Holly Cole, James Harris, Jr., Kitty Stafford, Paula Snipes, Andy Delbridge, Steven Airhart, Joan Kaye, Val Carmine, Jeff Horton, Jeff Holden, Rob Thornton, Sam Stell, Joe Donovan, Jean Allen, Diane Pomper, Bill Condron, Rebecca Carina

Handouts: "Summary of Comments on Proposed Changes to Temp. Rules, Division Response," "Additional Summary of Comments," "Copy of filed 10NCAC 14 G Rules."

Discussion:

Pender McElroy called the meeting to order. Introductions of the Commission Members and others attending were made.

Mokie Stancel made the motion to accept the Minutes as written. The motion was 2nd by Martha Martinat. The motion passed unanimously.

Tara Larson presented the summary of comments document. This document outlined the public comments, the position recommended by the Division and the rationale for the recommendation.

The meeting continued with the opportunity for additional public comments. Those presenting to the Committee were:

Speakers for the Public Hearing: (written comments attached):

Stephanie Gilmore, Consumer

Sam Pittman written statement read to Commission members

Robin Dean (parent)

Melody Wood, Consumer

John Owen, Consumer
William Caruthers, Consumer
Mark Long, Consumer
Paula Bohland, Advocate and professional
Christine Heinberg, Carolina Legal Assistance
Joe Donovan, Consumer
Fred Waddle, NC Community Support Provider Council
Jean Allen, Parent
Cynthia Temoshenko, GACPD
Martin Keever, Consumer
Jeff McLoud, Consumer
Dorothy O'Neal, Consumer on behalf of MH Consumer's Organization
Beth Melcher, NAMI NC
Ellen Russell, ARC of NC
Mike Vicario, NC Hospital Association

The Committee unanimously agreed to approve by consensus and without a formal vote each separate rule revision which was before the committee, unless there was a disagreement about a revision, in which case, a vote would be taken. The committee then considered each rule revision as proposed by Division staff. The revisions as approved by the committee appear on the attached "Rules Committee Action Taken."

Alver Fisher moved that the committee approve as a whole all rule revisions as separately approved by the committee (by consensus vote) and recommended to the Commission that it adopt such revisions. Second by Floyd McCullough. The motion passed unanimously.

Pender McElroy recommended authority be given to Division Staff to make necessary technical changes for rules as needed, in accordance with Rules Review Commission recommendations. These changes would only be technical and not change intent. The motion was made by Pearl Finch and 2nd by Fredrica Stell. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

